

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of business of the Board of Aldermen
in hands of the Clerk by 2PM the day of the meeting**

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 25, 2003, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Call of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meeting of October 23, 2003.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Petition The Shine Corp. d/b/a The Auto Clinic, 308 McGrath Hwy, for a Garage License for auto repair and auto body work for 12 vehicles.

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

4. Citation By the Entire Board, Commending Gilbert Ribeiro for forty years of dedicated service to the community as a Constable.
5. Ordinance By Ald. Curtatone, Submitting a proposed Assembly Square District zoning ordinance.
6. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Chief of Police enforce the No Right Turn restriction at Bonair St. and McGrath Hwy. from 4-6 PM over the next several weeks.
7. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Housing and Community Development direct that department's Parks Coordinator to contact the Ward 1 Alderman to schedule neighborhood meetings for the renovation of both Perkins Playground and Harris Park.
8. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works respond to the attached letter from the Capuano School PTA President regarding restroom facilities, and forward copies of the response to the Capuano School Principal, the Ward 1 Alderman and the Ward 1 School Committee person as well as the PTA President.

9. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking arrange to have a crosswalk installed from Everett Ave. to the steps leading to the East Somerville Community School yard. (3rd request.)
10. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services speak to the contractor at the market at Delaware St. and McGrath Hwy. (formerly Mitrano's) regarding reports that he is dumping waste in the catch basin, and that the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Public Health inspect the premises behind the store to ensure that it meets all code requirements and is not a hazard to neighbors.
11. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Chief of Police contact the construction manager at Pearl St. and McGrath Hwy. to ensure that the sidewalk is always clear for pedestrians, as it has been reported that pedestrians, especially children, are being forced to walk out in the street.
12. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Public Health bait the sewers in and around Kensington Ave. and Broadway as well as MacArthur St. and Broadway, as residents have reported seeing rodents.
13. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking monitor the 21-29 Park St. area for vehicles parked on the sidewalk and take any necessary action, including ticketing and towing such vehicles, as they cause a hindrance to pedestrians.
14. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works report back to this Board the amount received from the MWRA for mitigation of traffic island work in Union Sq. and a detailed account of expenditures to rebuild and landscape the area, and include copies of all communications from the MWRA detailing the amount given to the City and invoices from all repairs, construction and landscaping.
15. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief of Police take all necessary steps to monitor traffic violations in Union Sq., especially the running of red lights at major intersections.
16. Resolution By Ald. Heuston, That the Dedication Committee consider naming the corner of Harold and Marion Sts. "PFC Robert J. Costa Square" in memory of Robert J. Costa who died in the line of duty in the Republic of Vietnam, March 1, 1969.

17. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Traffic and Parking paint the stop line on Park St. at the spot where there is signage indicating same, as vehicles continually block the intersection of Beacon and Park Sts.
18. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the street sign at the corner of Shore Dr. and Mystic Ave.
19. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate state agency to have the large pothole at 402 Mystic Ave. repaired.
20. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the cleaning of the Grove St. parking lot adjacent to Kenney Park, especially the shrubs in the landscaped areas around the perimeter of the lot.
21. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines contact NStar to repair or replace the street light on the odd-side of Winslow Ave. outside of Ciampa Manor near the intersection of College Ave., and to repair or replace the streetlamp on Morrison Ave. between Grove St. and Clifton St.
22. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Chief of Police inspect the intersection of Clifton St. and Winslow Ave. for an abandoned and/or unregistered vehicle parked near the walkway to the bike-path, and remove it from the area.
23. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the temporary power panel to be set up for the Annual Craft Fair in the Brune Field House at the High School on Saturday, November 29.
24. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the debris from around the Fire Dept. access gate in front of 48 Grove St. and re-set the barrier curbs that have been moved away from the gate.
25. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the City Engineer evaluate the condition of and make necessary repairs to Thorpe St.
26. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Public Health address the issue of the continually overflowing dumpster at the condominium complex at 10 Avon St. and take appropriate measures to enforce applicable ordinances.

27. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the deep depression in the street in front of 12 Farragut Ave.
28. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at 147 and 155 West Adams St.
29. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police respond to any and all noise complaints at 12 Ware St.
30. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police take notice of noise and loitering complaints on Waterhouse St.
31. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Director of Inspectional Services and the Commissioner of Public Works take immediate action to remove all newspaper boxes without proper permits in Ward 7.
32. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking take notice of 48 hour parking violations on Endicott Ave. and make every effort to enforce the regulation.
33. Order By Ald. Provost, That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-stripe the crosswalks across Central St. in front of the former Heritage Hospital, and across Hudson St. at Central St.
34. Resolution By Ald. Provost, That the City initiate a program to educate the public about the federal Earned Income Tax Credit, and to assist residents in claiming this credit.
35. Order By Ald. Provost, That the City Solicitor provide this Board with a copy of the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court's decision in the case of Goodridge v. Dept. of Public Health, and inform this Board what the City must do to effectuate this decision, and what the City may do to effectuate this decision.
36. Order By Ald. Provost, That the Chief Information Officer report to this Board whether the City's voice recognition system was paid for from the budget of the Information Technology Dept., and if so, by whose decision, from which fiscal year's budget, in what amount and from which line item was the expenditure made.
37. Order By Ald. Provost, That the Chief of Police meet with this Board to report on and discuss the use of overtime so far this fiscal year.

38. Order By Ald. Provost, Heuston and Taylor, That the attached amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, designed to protect the integrity of residential neighborhoods, be referred to the Legislative Matters Committee and the Planning Board for advertisement and public hearing.
39. Order By Ald. Provost, McCallum and White, That the City Clerk contact the Division of Metro Parks and request that the missing street sign for Fellsway West be replaced, that trees along Fellsway West and Foss Park be trimmed, that fallen leaves be swept and removed and that the entire area be cleaned and maintained.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

40. Citation Ald. Provost and Entire Board, Commending the Somerville Mathematics Fund for being awarded the Golden Tassel by Dollars for Scholars.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

41. Mayor's Comm. Requesting acceptance of a Magoun Sq. LLC \$10,000 contribution at the time of issuance of a permanent certificate of occupancy for the CVS to fund Hansen Memorial Park.
42. Mayor's Comm. Requesting acceptance of a \$5,000 grant from the Lenny Fund.
43. Mayor's Comm. Requesting acceptance of a \$3,500 grant from the Mass. Dept. of Public Health.
44. Mayor's Comm. Requesting acceptance of a \$10,000 gift from the Housing Group Trust 3.
45. Mayor's Comm. Requesting an extension of a DPW contract with Design Consultants for the Somerville Ave. reconstruction project.
46. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the Board act expeditiously on the submitted draft Request for Proposals for the disposition of the Conwell School.
47. Mayor's Comm. Withdrawing the request for the appointment of Lisa Brukilacchio to the position of member, Zoning Board of Appeals.
48. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the appointment of Susan Fontano to the position of member, Zoning Board of Appeals.

49. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the re-appointment of Gilbert Ribeiro as Constable.
50. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the re-appointment of Pasquale DeFeo Jr. as Constable.
51. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the re-appointment of Ronald DiGiorgio as Constable.
52. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the re-appointment of Daniel Willinger as Constable.
53. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the appointment of Urbano Uccello as Constable.
54. Mayor's Comm. Requesting the appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

55. Report Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, November 13.
56. Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, November 18.
57. Report Report of the Committee of the Whole on Legislative Matters, November 18.
58. Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, November 20.
59. Report Report of the Joint Committee on Finance and Legislative Matters, November 24.
60. Report Report of the Committee on Finance (w/School Committee), November 19.
61. Report Report of the Committee on Finance, November 19.
62. Report Report of the Committee on Finance, November 24.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

63. Comm. from City Officer Director of Information Technology responding to #175434 re: the new voice recognition phone system.
64. Comm. from City Officer Planning Board recommending approval of the six month extension to the Assembly Square Interim Planning District.

- 65. Comm. from City Officer Director of OHCD re: Assembly Square Roadway Acceptance and Discontinuance.
- 66. Comm. from City Officer Director of OHCD responding to #175424 re: missing Bus Stop Sign at Indiana Ave. and Broadway.
- 67. Comm. from City Officer Director of OHCD responding to #175214 re: Albion Park.
- 68. Comm. from City Officer Director of OHCD responding to #175223 re: the wall and fences between Fisk Ave. and the CVS/Municipal Parking Lot construction site.
- 69. Comm. from City Officer Director of OHCD responding to #175459 re: a status report on the Magoun Sq. Streetscape Enhancement Grant.
- 70. Comm. from City Officer City Solicitor resubmitting revisions to Ordinance 1-11.
- 71. Comm. from City Officer Planning Director responding to: #175283 re: A fiscal study of land uses.

NEW BUSINESS

- 72. Open Air Vend **Open Air Vendor License**
Next Wave/Full Circle School selling Christmas trees and wreaths, Foss Park, Dec. 3-22, Mon.-Fri. 4-9PM, Sat.-Sun. 10AM-9PM.
- 73. Amusements **Automatic Amusement Devices License**
Devlin's Pub & Grille LLC, 148-150 Highland Ave., 4 Devices.
- 74. Sign or Awning **Sign or Awning Over a Public Way License**
Africana Arts & Crafts, 215A Elm St.
- 75. Used Car Lic. **New Second Hand Auto License, Class 2**
Somerville Ave. Auto Brokers, 595 Somerville Ave.
- 76. Used Car Lic. **Renewal of Second Hand Auto License, Class 1**
Herb Chambers I-93 Inc., 259 McGrath Hwy.
- 77. Used Car Lic. Dom's Motor Service Inc. d/b/a Riverside Kawasaki-Yamaha, 2 Union Sq.
- 78. Used Car Lic. **Renewal of Second Hand Auto License, Class 2**
Kam Bazazi Inc. d/b/a Manny's Auto Center, 463 McGrath Hwy.

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| 79. | Used Car Lic | Sing Cheung, 88 Dover St. |
| 80. | Used Car Lic. | UMP Corporation/United Motors, 188 Broadway. |
| 81. | Used Car Lic. | Vaudo Inc. d/b/a Frank & Ed's Auto, 483 Somerville Ave. |
| 82. | Used Car Lic. | Dom's Motor Service Inc. d/b/a Riverside Kawasaki-Yamaha, 2 Union Sq. |
| 83. | Used Car Lic. | Somerville Auto Transport Service, 495 Columbia St. |
| 84. | Used Car Lic | <u>Renewal of Second Hand Auto License, Class 3</u>
Somerville Auto Transport Service, 495 Columbia St. |
| 85. | Claim | <u>Notice of Claim</u>
Christopher Santillo. |
| 86. | Claim | Stephen LaRagione. |

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM